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Cryptographic Key Split Combiner	Darrow, Justin T.	2132

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed December 29, 2003, please amend
the application as follows:

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Amendment

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IN THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION:

Please add the following section to the written description on page 1, before
"Field of the Invention":

Cross-Reference to Related Application

a This is related to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/039,696,
which was filed on February 13, 1997.
